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LETTER DATED 27 MAY 1992 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF IRAQ TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

On instructions from my Government and further to our letter concerning violations of the cease-fire by the Kuwaiti side, I wish to inform you of fresh occurrences of Kuwaiti violations, as follows:

1. At 1815 hours on 6 April 1992, the farmer Salim Shaddad Azzafah was shot at by Kuwaiti patrols while he was on his farm trying to remove the markers set up by the Kuwaiti side inside his farm, which is estimated to lie 600 metres inside Iraqi territory.

2. At 1800 hours on 29 April 1992, four fighter planes of unknown identity were seen flying at very high altitude and at medium speed from the direction of Kuwaiti airspace. They entered Iraqi airspace at geographical coordinates 555515.

3. At 1915 hours on 29 April 1992, a large transport plane preceded by a number of fighter planes entered Iraqi airspace at geographical coordinates 555515. It was not identified and proceeded towards Kuwaiti airspace.

4. On 20 May 1992, the Kuwaiti side pitched a 400-pound tent in front of the Himam control post at geographical coordinates 618332 on the road that runs across the common line to Kuwait. Three military personnel with a white GMC vehicle were in front of the tent.

These repeated acts of aggression perpetrated by the Kuwaiti side are clearly intended as a provocation and constitute a flagrant violation of the cease-fire provisions set forth in Security Council resolution 687 (1991). They also violate the directives relating to the demilitarized zone.

In drawing your attention to the significance of these acts, the Government of the Republic of Iraq lodges a vigorous protest against these blatant acts of aggression against the security of Iraq, its citizens and its frontier posts and emphasizes that the Kuwaiti side must bear responsibility for the consequences which these violations may have.

I should be grateful if you would have this letter circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Abd al-Amir AL-ANBARI
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